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District 22 Legislators Urge Maricopa County Sheriff to Reinstate Sun City West Posse

STATE CAPITOL, PHOENIX – Representatives Ben Toma (R-22) and Frank Carroll (R-22) and Senator David Livingston (R-22) today urged Maricopa County Sheriff Paul Penzone to quickly reinstate the duties of the Maricopa County Sheriff's Posse, particularly in Sun City West.

Last month, Sheriff Penzone suspended duties of the Sheriff's Posse after an audit revealed missing firearms and ineligible posse members.

"While I appreciate the measures instituted by Sheriff Penzone to ensure that posse members are eligible to serve, it's my hope that he makes the Sun City West posse fully operational again," said Representative Toma. **"Sun City West residents rely on the posse for community watch programs and other critical services."**

"Sun City West is safer with posse members patrolling the community," said Representative Carroll. **"I'm glad that steps are being taken to provide greater oversight, but I hope that we can quickly get qualified posse members back on the streets of Sun City West."**

"There is no other community in Maricopa County that relies more on the posse than Sun City West," said Senator Livingston. **"With no city police serving the area, Sun City West relies on the posse for important community needs like checking on the welfare of individuals or responding to traffic accidents. I hope that the Sheriff will reconsider his decision to upend the community with his sudden suspension of the posse."**

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